

Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington D.C. 20554

In the Matter Of	)	
	)	
Section 63.71 Application of	)	
	)	WC Docket No. _____
LDMI Telecommunications, LLC	)	
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC	)	
Network Telephone, LLC	)	
PAETEC Communications, LLC	)	
Talk America, LLC	)	
The Other Phone Company, LLC	)	
US LEC Communications, LLC	)	
US LEC of Alabama, LLC	)	
US LEC of Florida, LLC	)	
US LEC of Georgia, LLC	)	
US LEC of Tennessee, LLC	)	
Windstream Communications Telecom, LLC	)	
Windstream Communications, LLC	)	
Windstream Direct, LLC	)	
Windstream EN-TEL, LLC	)	
Windstream Iowa-Comm, LLC	)	
Windstream IT-Comm, LLC	)	
Windstream Lakedale Link, Inc.	)	
Windstream Norlight, LLC	)	
Windstream NorthStar, LLC	)	
Windstream NTI, LLC	)	
Windstream NuVox Illinois, LLC	)	
Windstream NuVox Indiana, LLC	)	
Windstream NuVox Missouri, LLC	)	
Windstream NuVox Ohio, LLC	)	
Windstream NuVox, LLC	)	
Windstream of the Midwest, Inc.	)	
	)	
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of	)	
the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,	)	
to Discontinue the Provision of Service	)	

**AMENDED SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF WINDSTREAM SERVICES, LLC**

On November 18, 2016, Windstream Services, LLC on behalf of its competitive local exchange carrier affiliates LDMI Telecommunications, LLC, McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC, Network Telephone, LLC, PAETEC Communications, LLC, Talk America,

LLC, The Other Phone Company, LLC, US LEC Communications, LLC, US LEC of Alabama, LLC, US LEC of Florida, LLC, US LEC of Georgia, LLC, US LEC of Tennessee, LLC, Windstream Communications Telecom, LLC, Windstream Communications, LLC, Windstream Direct, LLC, Windstream EN-TEL, LLC, Windstream Iowa-Comm, LLC, Windstream IT-Comm, LLC, Windstream Lakedale Link, Inc., Windstream Norlight, LLC, Windstream NorthStar, LLC, Windstream NTI, LLC, Windstream NuVox Illinois, LLC, Windstream NuVox Indiana, LLC, Windstream NuVox Missouri, LLC, Windstream NuVox Ohio, LLC, Windstream NuVox, LLC, and Windstream of the Midwest, Inc. (collectively “Windstream”), through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission”) rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, filed an Application to discontinue the provision of local exchange and digital subscriber line (“DSL”) services (collectively, “Services”) in certain locations in the states of Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin. Windstream hereby files this amended application to remove the states of Arizona, North Dakota and Tennessee because Windstream does not provide service to customers affected by this discontinuance in these states. Windstream confirms that all affected customers have received notice of the discontinuance of service requested in this amended application. In support of this amended Application, Windstream submits the following information:

**1. Information listed in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1)-(4) (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(2)):**

**a. Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1)-(4), (b)(2)):**

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Windstream of the Midwest, Inc.

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Little Rock, AR 72212

**b. Date of Planned Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):**

Based on specific state level notification requirements Windstream plans to discontinue service in three stages based on the customer location. Services for customers located in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio, Oregon and Washington will be discontinued on or about December 19, 2016.

Services for customers located in Colorado, Indiana, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, and Wisconsin will be discontinued on or about January 19, 2017.

Services for customers located in Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, and New Mexico will be discontinued on or about February 20, 2017.

**c. Point of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(3), (b)(2)):**

Services will be discontinued in certain locations in the states of Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin.

**d. Brief Description of the Type of Service to be Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(4), (b)(2)):**

The Services are local exchange and DSL services provided to residential and small business customers.

**2. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71 (b)(3)):**

On November 18, 2016, Windstream sent by First Class U.S. Mail notice to all affected customers of the planned discontinuance. Copies of such notices were included in Windstream's application filed November 18, 2016, which are compliant with, among other things, Section 63.71(a)(5) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(5).

**3. Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71 (a)(4)):**

Windstream is nondominant with respect to the services that it proposes to discontinue.

#### **4. Service:**

In accordance with Section 63.71(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1), Windstream is submitting a copy of this Application by First Class U.S. Mail to the public utilities commissions and governors of each state in which discontinuance is proposed and also to the Secretary of Defense (at the address given in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)).

#### **5. Additional Questions Regarding This Application May be Addressed to the Undersigned.**

#### **6. Circumstances of Discontinuance.**

Windstream provides the Services to approximately 300 customers in certain locations in Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin. The Services are being provided on equipment that is at the end of life, it is no longer supported by vendors and replacement would be cost prohibitive.

Affected customers will not be unduly harmed because they are being provided ample notice of the discontinuance and customers have comparable options at comparable rates from other providers serving these states.

#### **7. Conclusion**

Windstream believes that the proposed discontinuance is reasonable and necessary. As outlined herein, Windstream will take reasonable steps, to the extent that is able, to assure that the discontinuance of this service is not unduly disruptive to the present or future public convenience and necessity. Accordingly, Windstream respectfully requests that the Commission permit it to discontinue the provision of Services to customers in certain locations in Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan,

Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah,  
Washington and Wisconsin pursuant to Section 63.71.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cesar Caballero" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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